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<b>COMBINED AMENDMENT &amp; PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)</b>	Docket No. <b>13203</b>
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In Re Application Of: **Simon Y. Yote, et al.**

Serial No. <b>09/424,629</b>	Filing Date <b>March 13, 2000</b>	Examiner <b>A. Chakrabarti</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1634</b>
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**Invention: NUCLEIC ACID DIAGNOSTICS BASED ON MASS SPECTROMETRY OR MASS SEPARATION AND BASE SPECIFIC CLEAVAGE**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 28, 2003 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- ☒ One month     
 ☐ Two months     
 ☐ Three months     
 ☐ Four months     
 ☐ Five months

from: June 28, 2003      until: July 28, 2003  
*Date*      *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

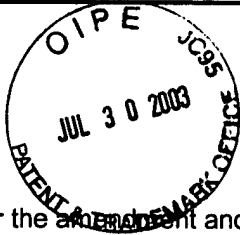
The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	30 -	32 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	6 -	5 =	1	x \$42.00	\$42.00	
FEE FOR AMENDMENT						\$42.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME						\$55.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>						<b>\$97.00</b>

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$97.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of **\$0.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**

*Signature*

Dated: **July 28, 2003**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited  
on **July 28, 2003** with the U.S. Postal Service  
as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to  
the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria,  
VA 22313-1450.

*Signature*

**Peter I. Bernstein**

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